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Ambassador of the State of Palestine to Kuwait, Rami Tahboub (fourth left), spouse of Palestinian Ambassador Rima Al-Khaldi (left), member of the Palestinian Women's Union and President of the Palestinian Heritage Center in Kuwait, Siham Abu Ghazale and (second right) Dr Ghada Al-Hijawi Qadoumi, President of the World Crafts Council - Asia-Pacific Region are seen during cutting of the cake. — Photos by Yasser Al-Zayyat



A group photo showing models presenting the famous embroidered Palestinian dresses with some of the guests.

'PALESTINIAN CULTURAL DAY' ORGANIZED BY IWG AND THE PALESTINIAN EMBASSY

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Ambassador of the State of Palestine to Kuwait, Rami Tahboub giving a speech during the event.

The International Women's Group (IWG) in cooperation with the Palestinian Embassy organized a "Palestinian Cultural Day" yesterday at Crowne Plaza Hotel in Farwaniya. Ambassador of Palestine to Kuwait Rami Tahboub spoke about the history of Palestine and presented a documentary about tourism in Palestine and archaeological and heritage sites.

Dr Ghada Al-Hijawi Qadoumi, President of the World Crafts Council - Asia-Pacific Region, made a visual presentation of Hebron as a city of international handcrafts, which represents the historical and cultural depth of the identity of the Palestinian people. Qadoumi is the first

woman to hold this post from the Asian region and holds a doctorate degree in the history of Islamic art and architecture from Harvard University.

Member of the Palestinian Women's Union and President of the Palestinian Heritage Center in Kuwait Siham Abu Ghazale then spoke about embroidered Palestinian dresses, where every city in Palestine has its own unique style. The ceremony ended with a performance by Shireen Hattar. She presented a song about Jerusalem, with a beautiful melody specially dedicated to this event. Members of IWG also got an opportunity to watch the famous Nabulsian kunafa being prepared. All the women left the event with valuable mementos from the Palestinian Embassy.



A group photo.



A group photo showing models presenting the famous embroidered Palestinian dresses.



A woman wearing embroidered Palestinian dress presenting handmade embroidered crafts.



Guests are seen during the event.

French actress Deneuve to auction personal YSL clothing next week



A visitor checks Yves Saint Laurent's creations.



In this file photo taken on January 22, 2002 French fashion designer Yves Saint-Laurent (center) salutes the crowd with French model Laetitia Casta (left) and French actress Catherine Deneuve (right) at the Centre Georges Pompidou national museum for modern art in Paris, during Saint-Laurent's last fashion show.



A visitor checks Yves Saint Laurent's creations.



A woman takes pictures at the Christies auction house in Paris during a presentation of Yves Saint Laurent's clothes that belonged to French actress Catherine Deneuve.

French screen legend Catherine Deneuve's personal clothing collection designed by her friend Yves Saint Laurent will be auctioned in Paris next week. Deneuve, 75, is auctioning her clothing by the late fashion icon after selling her country home in northern France where she kept a wardrobe full of Saint Laurent items. "These are the designs of such a talented man who designed only to make women more beautiful," Deneuve said in a message last October shared by the auction house Christie's, which is handling the sale.

Hundreds of items, including coats, dresses

and accessories—some of them unique pieces designed for Deneuve—will be auctioned in an open sale on January 24 and online. One of the highlights of the auction is a beaded evening dress from a 1969 collection which she wore when meeting director Alfred Hitchcock in the same year, as well as an evening dress with pink ostrich feathers. Deneuve was often described as a muse for Saint Laurent and was a leading figure in the designer's circle of glamorous female friends which included Princess Grace of Monaco, Wallis Simpson and Paloma Picasso. After meeting when she was only 22, Deneuve

enjoyed an intense 40-year friendship with Saint Laurent until his death in 2008, telling him at a major exhibition of his work in 2002 that "my biggest ever love affair is you".

Oscar-nominated Deneuve hit the headlines in January when she signed an open letter objecting to the #MeToo movement that has seen women worldwide go public with allegations of sexual assault and rape. The star of the classic 1967 film "Belle du Jour", in which she plays a bored housewife who spends her afternoons as a prostitute, wrote in favor of men's freedom to "hit on" women. — AFP



Visitors chat at the Christies auction house.



A creation by Yves Saint Laurent at the Christies auction house.



Yves Saint-Laurent's creations are displayed at the Christies auction house.